

# Missouri State Archives

## Finding Aid [998.466]

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### MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS

#### Wilson's Creek Civil War Collection

*Abstract:* Three digitized volumes of records concerning the Civil War in Missouri, namely a soldier's journal, the Rebel Legislature's Senate Journal and records of burials in Springfield National Cemetery.

*Extent:* 6 DVDs

*Physical Description:* TIF

*Location:* Missouri State Archives; Vault

### ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

*Alternative Formats:* None

*Access Restrictions:* None

*Publication Restrictions:* None

*Preferred Citation:* [Item description], [date]; *Wilson's Creek Civil War Collection*, Record Group 998.466; Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City. Courtesy of Wilson's Creek National Battlefield Site.

*Acquisition Information:* Loaned for digitizing. Accession #2017-0050

*Processing Information:* Finding aid completed by EW on 03/21/2018. Updated by EW on 12/23/2019 and 03/25/2021.

### ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

#### Related Collections

RG003 Office of the Governor  
RG133 Adjutant General's Office  
RG550 Missouri General Assembly

Soldiers' Database: <https://s1.sos.mo.gov/records/archives/archivesdb/soldiers/>.

Typed, published copy of the Rebel Legislature's Senate Journal:

<http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/senatej/id/10398/rec/63>

*Published Works on the Battle of Wilson's Creek:*

Bearss, Edwin C. The Battle of Wilson's Creek with Battle Maps by David Whitman. Diamond, MO: George Washington Carver Birthplace District Association, 1975. Call No. R 973.731 B3805.

Holcombe, Return Ira. An Account of the Battle of Wilson's Creek or Oak Hills. Springfield, MO: The Springfield Public Library and the Greene County Historical Society, 1961. Call No. R 973.7 H699.

Kemp, Hardy A. About Nathaniel Lyon, Brigadier General, United States Army Volunteers and Wilson's Creek. Prairie Village, KS: Hardy A. Kemp, 1978. Call No. R 973.709 K3201.

Knapp, George E. he Wilson's Creek Staff Ride and Battlefield Tour. Leavenworth, KS: Combat Studies Institution, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, 1993. Call No. R 973.731 K7271.

### **Additional External Resources**

First Regiment Kansas Infantry Indian Home Guards: <https://www.nps.gov/civilwar/search-battle-units-detail.htm?battleUnitCode=UKS0001RIG0I>.

Springfield National Cemetery: <https://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/springfield.asp>.

The State Historical Society of Missouri in Columbia hosts a handwritten copy of the Rebel Legislature's House of Representative's Journal online:  
<http://digital.shsmo.org/cdm/ref/collection/amcw/id/10217>.

Wilson's Creek National Battlefield: <https://www.nps.gov/wicr/index.htm>.

## WRITTEN VOLUMES, 1861-1865

*Arrangement:* None

### Scope and Content

These three books belong to Wilson's Creek National Battlefield site. They were loaned to the Archives for digitizing. The Archives kept digital scans and returned the originals to Wilson's Creek. Two of them are available online on Missouri Digital Heritage. The books concern the Civil War in Missouri.

### Container List

#### **Battle of Locust Grove journal:**

<http://mdh.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mack/id/2834>

This diary belonged to George Falconer of Col. J.J. Clarkson's Confederate Cavalry, and Albert Ellithorpe of the Indian Home Guards, 1<sup>st</sup> Kansas Infantry. Ellithorpe captured the diary from Falconer during the Battle of Locust Grove on July 3, 1862. The majority of the diary is written by Ellithorpe and provides his accounts of engagements with Confederate soldiers, Kansas politics, and bushwhackers.

#### **Journal of the Senate, Extra Session of the Rebel Legislature:**

<http://mdh.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mack/id/3666>

Handwritten copy of the Rebel Senate Journal. Includes the proceedings of the extra session of the breakaway Missouri General Assembly called by Governor Claiborne Fox Jackson and held on October 21, 1861 in Neosho, Newton County, Missouri. On October 28, the Rebel Legislature formally voted to secede from the United States. The Rebel Legislature adjourned on November 7, 1861.

#### **Record Sheet of Disinterments and Reinterments:**

Not available online. Archival copy only (no access copy currently).

This record book records (if known), the name, rank, company, regiment, date of death, inscription or remarks, and location in Springfield National Cemetery of soldiers who died in Southwest Missouri during the Civil War and were reinterred in Springfield. Soldiers came from Wilson's Creek, West Plains, Dallas County, Polk County, McDonald County, and several other locations. The last two pages of the volume include a copy of the deed of purchase for the Cemetery land.

| Vault Location | SMART Barcode | Contents  | Date      |
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|                | 0004084286    | Battle of Locust Grove journal                                | 1862-1863 |
|                | 0004084286    | Journal of the Senate, Extra Session of the Rebel Legislature | 1861      |
|                | 0004084291    | Record Sheet of Disinterments and Reinterments, images 1-26   | 1861-1865 |
|                | 0004084292    | Record Sheet of Disinterments and Reinterments, images 27-51  | 1861-1865 |

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|  | 0004084293 | Record Sheet of Disinterments and Reinterments,<br>images 52-77   | 1861-1865 |
|  | 0004084295 | Record Sheet of Disinterments and Reinterments,<br>images 78-103  | 1861-1865 |
|  | 0004084296 | Record Sheet of Disinterments and Reinterments,<br>images 104-121 | 1861-1865 |